

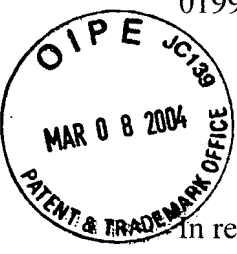
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Filed: December 1, 1999

For: HUMAN PROTEINS HAVING
TRANSMEMBRANE DOMAINS
AND DNAs AND ENCODING
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REQUEST FOR DECISION ON PETITION

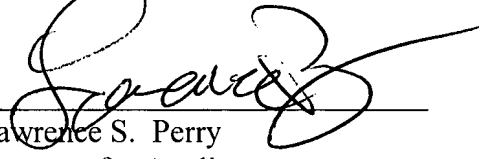
Sir:

Upon a routine status check of the above-identified patent application, it has come to the attention of the undersigned that the Patent Office has not replied to the Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) to revive an unintentionally abandoned application

Since the Petition was filed July 25, 2003, the Patent and Trademark Office is requested to promptly indicate to the undersigned when it is expected to receive a decision.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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